CLAIMS

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A battery comprising:

a battery cell;

a circuit base board which is connected to terminals in the battery cell electrically via connection members; a heat protecting element, disposed in the connecting members, in which electric resistance increases according to an increase in a temperature therein; and a heat-insulating resin mold section which covers and fixes the circuit base board, the connecting members, and the heat protecting element to the battery cell, wherein the heat protecting element is spaced from a surface of the battery cell, said space being filled with a resin of the resin mold section, the heat protecting element being surrounded by a heat insulating member, and the resin mold section surrounding and coating the heat insulating member.

- 2. (Currently Amended) A battery according to Claim 1 wherein the heat protecting element is covered by a heat insulating member which has heat insulating characteristics to there outside.
- **3. (Original)** A battery according to Claim 2 wherein the heat insulating member is a heat insulating sleeve which is provided an insertion section through which the heat protecting element can be inserted.
- **4.** (**Original**) A battery according to Claim 1 wherein the connecting members are made of a metal plate.
- **5. (Original)** A battery according to Claim 2 wherein the connecting members are made of a metal plate.
- **6. (Original)** A battery according to Claim 3 wherein the connecting members are made of a metal plate.